## What is claimed is:

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 A power management method for hand-held information processing apparatus, comprising the following steps:

creating an idle thread when a central processing unit of said hand-held information processing apparatus is in an idle status;

counting a number of times said idle thread has been executed:

comparing said counted number of times of execution of said idle thread with at least a high and a low default value; and

raising or lowering an execution frequency of a system of said hand-held information processing apparatus when said counted number of times of execution of said idle thread is larger than said at least one high default value or smaller than said at least one low default value, respectively.

25 2. A power management method for hand-held information processing apparatus, comprising the following

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creating an idle thread when a central processing unit of said hand-held information processing apparatus is in an idle status;

counting a number of times said idle thread has been executed;

comparing said counted number of times of execution of said idle thread with at least a high and a low default value;

detecting and verifying whether peripherals of said hand-held information processing apparatus are still in a busy status;

temporarily stopping said peripherals that are not in said busy status, and awaiting until said peripherals that are in said busy status having completed execution of their respective works; and

raising or lowering an execution frequency of a system of said hand-held information processing apparatus when said counted number of times of execution of said idle thread is larger than said 5

at least one high default value or smaller than said at least one low default value, respectively.

- 3. The power management method as claimed in claim 1, wherein said execution frequency of said system is a frequency of said central processing unit and peripheral driving devices of said hand-held information processing apparatus.
- 4. The power management method as claimed in claim 2, wherein said execution frequency of said system is a frequency of said central processing unit and peripheral driving devices of said hand-held information processing apparatus.